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Missouri Advisory Council of Certification for Educators

To: MACCE Members 2007-2008
Topic: MACCE Commissioner's Conference Call
August 29, 2007 @ 10:00 AM
Date: Tuesday – September 4, 2007
From: Gale “Hap” Hairston – Chair

Participants: Commissioner Kent King – DESE
Rusty Rosenkoetter – DESE Educator Certification
David Adams – DESE Educator Preparation
Patrick Quick – MACCE Vice Chair

Our Commissioner's Conference Call was held on Wednesday, August 29 @ 10:00 AM. I wanted to take few minutes to let you know what was discussed as we talked about plans for 2007-2008.

New Faces & Vacancies – We will have at least eight new faces on MACCE. Rusty is still waiting for MoAFT to nominate a representative.

Meeting Schedule on Sunday and/or Monday @ the Capitol Plaza in Jefferson City – We have identified four meeting dates. The first three will include both Sunday evening and Monday. The last meeting is scheduled for one day only, Monday.

September 23 (Orientation Session) & 24, 2007

December 2 & 3, 2007

February 10-11, 2008 (Bad Weather Date – February 24 & 25)

April 28, 2008

Work Groups – We asked the Commissioner about any specific comments related to our MoSBE report on June 21, 2007. There were no specific comments and/or questions. Our work continues to be appreciated. We will continue to address the following topics:
Incentives; Collaboration (DHE Discussion – curriculum & assessment

working with our K-12 partners); Redesigning our Profession, and Mentoring including a review of our Mentoring Website. Rusty has also shared our work on Mentoring with Linda Dooling (DESE – Professional Development). Linda is co-chairing a committee working on the implementation of the mentoring legislation. The committee's first meeting is set for September 19 in Jefferson City.

Associate Arts in Teaching Degree – Current Progress – The Associate of Arts in Teaching Degree proposal has been submitted and is currently gathering signatories (two year and four year colleges and universities) to the agreement. The proposal identifies four core education courses that would be offered at Missouri two year programs. The goal is to improve the transfer process to the four year institutions.

Legislative Session 2008 – We will need to be vigilant on at least two legislative issues in 2008. We expect legislation on ABCTE Certification. We also anticipate addition discussion on STEM; now referred to as METS. This legislative was submitted in 2007 as way to increase the number of teachers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The name has been reversed to METS to alleviate any connection with stem cell research. As always it will be important for MACCE to work to have an impact on promoting and/or deterring the progress of statewide legislation.

Thanks for your time and consideration while reading this report. We also want to thank you for making a difference in the lives of all of those involved in your learning communities. Patrick, Rusty, and I are looking forward to seeing you on Sunday, September 23 at The Capitol Plaza Hotel in Jefferson City.